IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS TEXARKANA DIVISION

CRAIG SHIPP

PLAINTIFF

VS.

NO. 4:18-CV-0417 SOH

CORRECT CARE SOLUTIONS, LLC, DR. LORENE LOMAX, DR MIMO LEMDJA, KIMBERLY HOFMANN, LENORA PHILSON, KINDALL SMITH, DIANE CUNNINGHAM, MELISSA STONER, STEVE ARNOLD

DEFENDANTS

ORAL DEPOSITION

OF

ROBBIN STYERS

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CAPTION

ANSWERS AND ORAL DEPOSITION OF ROBBIN STYERS, a witness produced at the request of the Defendants, taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on the 14th day of November, 2018, at 1:42 p.m., at the law offices of Ronald Metcalf, 702 Garrison Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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PROCEEDINGS

THEREUPON,

THENDOLON

ROBBIN STYERS,

THE WITNESS HEREINBEFORE NAMED, having been first duly cautioned and sworn by me to testify to the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, testified on her oath as follows, to-wit:

EXAMINATION

BY MS. ODUM:

- Q All right and good afternoon. I just introduced myself, but for the record I'm Michelle Odum. I'm the lawyer for the medical defendants in the lawsuit that was filed by your brother, Craig Shipp.
- 15 | A Yes.
 - Q Okay. We're here today to take your deposition. Have you ever had a deposition taken before?
- 18 A No.
 - Q Okay. Well, what this is, is it's an informal way to get factual information from you that has something to do with the lawsuit, so anything that relates to the lawsuit. A little bit of history just because there's been a jury request, but generally it's we're asking you what you remember, what happened, and that sort of thing.
 - A Okay.

He, you know, would just let me know that he was -- you know, his feet were getting really bad and was talking with the warden or, you know, had requested, you know, his shoes be sent to him, and just the trouble that he was having trying to get the shoes to him. Did you have his shoes at the time? Α Yes. Were you at the jail -- or how did you come into possession of his shoes?

- 10 I went to Crawford County, the jail, to pick them up --
- 11 Okay. Q

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- 12 -- his belongings.
- 13 When he called you, was that when he was All right. 14 requesting that you send him his shoes?
- 15 Well --
 - Or did you talk to him more than once about the shoes?
- 17 I talked to him more than once about the shoes.
- Okay. Are you the one that he called to ask you to ship 18 19 his shoes to him?
 - Yes.
- 21 And how did you get -- how did you do that, was it FedEx'd 22 overnight?
- 23 FedEx'd. Yeah, I took it to the FedEx store in Fort Smith 24 and --
 - Q Okay. Was it an overnight?

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- 1 A It was overnight because, like I said, it took so long for 2 them to approve the shoes, we got them to him as soon as we 3 could. 4 Did you ever contact the unit yourself to speak to 5 someone other than your brother about his shoes? Α 6 No. 7 Back relating to his diabetes, was he compliant 8 with things that diabetics are supposed to do -- from your 9 observations, only your observations? I mean --10 Diet-wise, yes. 11 Okay. Did he always wear his orthotics? 12 Α Yes. 13 Now, when he was released from prison, did you see Okay. him when he -- you know, after he got out? 14 15 Α Yes. 16 Q Okay. Was -- did he wear -- if he wasn't in a cast, was 17 he wearing his shoes? 18 But he was always in a cast --19 Q Okay. -- but he had the other orthotic on the other foot.
- 20
- 21 Okay. Now, was there ever a time that you saw him using a
- 22 wheelchair?
- 23 He had one, but he just would rather sit and -- but, yes, 24 he had one. He did have to use it sometimes, but most of the 25 time he just stayed in his chair.

1 A Correct

- Q And your mom called daily; is that correct?
- 3 A Yes.

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- 4 Q And what's your mother's name?
- 5 A Betty Shipp.
- Q Betty Shipp. Did I hear you say that you -- your brother called you on the 17th; correct, around about that -- about his
- 8 shoes?
- 9 | A I don't know the exact dates or anything, but.
- Okay. Let me rephrase. So he called you. Do you
- 11 remember getting a call from him about shipping him his shoes?
- 12 | A Yes.
- Q Okay. And after getting that call you shipped them the
- 14 | following day?
- 15 | A Yes.
- 16 Q Okay. And you shipped them FedEx?
- 17 A FedEx overnight.
- 18 Q All right. Now, did you write your brother while he
- 19 || was --
- 20 | A No, no.
- 21 | Q You never did?
- 22 || A No.
- 23 Q Okay. But he wrote you?
- 24 A No, wait. I'm sorry, I did write him.
- 25 Q Okay.

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
)ss
COUNTY OF FAULKNER)

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